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Updated Electronic Codebooks

ECBNAL.ZIP contains the electronic codebook for the 1992 National Adult Literacy Survey dataset. This dataset was released several years ago and the old electronic codebook software provided at that time may not work as well as needed. This file allows the update of electronic codebook software with the 1/1/2000 version.

The electronic codebook in this file should work with the data on the old CDs. No data is included in this file.

You must have the original CD to access the data.

To obtain a data CD for restricted files, if you do not already have one and need one, you must obtain or extend an NCES Data User's License (see the NCES web page <http://nces.ed.gov> for further information).

Since their original release, new variables have been created for many of the data sets. The codebook in this file DOES include these new variables.

INSTALLATION PROCEDURES

To install the electronic codebook you must have an unzipping application such as WinZip or Pkunzip.

Choose "Save this file to disk." Your unzipping application will ask a series of questions to allow proper installation.

Once unzipped, the codebook should overwrite existing files to update the electronic codebook software with the latest versions. The codebook will now be added to the programs on the Start menu and can be easily accessed from there.

WARNING: On some PCs the files copied from the early CDs will have READ ONLY properties. SETUP will not work properly unless the READ ONLY attribute is turned off.

You must have the original CD in your CD reader to access the data. To save your "tagged" variables and create a Microsoft Access Database using the "Access DB" feature under the "File, Output" option, the original data CD needs to be in your CD reader before specifying a file name for saving the database. Otherwise you will get an error message that the data file could not be found.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For further information about the methods used to collect these data, please read the methodology reports for the respective study on the NCES web page

<http://nces.ed.gov>

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